

Quick Reference Card

Muse® PI3K Activation Dual Detection Kit

MCH200103

To measure the extent of Akt phosphorylation relative to the total Akt expression in any given cell population

For Research Use Only. Not for use in diagnostic procedures.

Storage Conditions

All reagents must be stored at 2 - 8°C.

Kit Components

- 20X Anti-phospho-Akt (Ser473), Alexa Fluor® 555: (Part No. CS208206), 250 μL
- 20X Anti-Akt/PKB, PECy5: (Part No. CS208207), 300 μL
- 5X Assay Buffer: (Part No. CS202124), 55
- Fixation Buffer: (Part No. CS202122), 13 mL
- Permeabilization Buffer: (Part No. CS202125), 13 mL

Materials Recommended

- Guava® Muse® Cell Analyzer
- Test tubes for sample preparation and storage
- Tissue culture reagents, i.e. HBSS, PBS w/o Ca²⁺ or Mg²⁺, cell dislodging buffers, etc.
- Micropipettes and tips
- Table top centrifuge
- Mechanical vortex
- Deionized water
- Cells of interest in suspension
- Microcentrifuge tubes with screw caps, 1.5 mL (VWR, Catalogue No. 16466-030, or equivalent)

Assay Protocol

- Prepare cell cultures for experimentation (treated or untreated).
- 2. Centrifuge cells at 300 x g for 5 min and wash once with 1X PBS.
- 3. Fix cells in Fixation Buffer for 5 min on ice, followed by a washing step
- Permeabilize cells with Permeabilization Buffer for 5 min on ice, followed by a washing step
- Add 200,000 cells to each tube (treated or untreated)
- 6. Add 10 μ L of the antibody cocktail to 90 μ L of 1X Assay Buffer per tube/test. Allow to incubate for 30 min at room temp (dark)
- 7. Centrifuge cells at 300 x g for 5 minutes and wash with 1X Assay Buffer
- 8. Resuspend in 200 µL 1X Assay Buffer
- Acquire samples on Guava® Muse® Cell Analyzer.



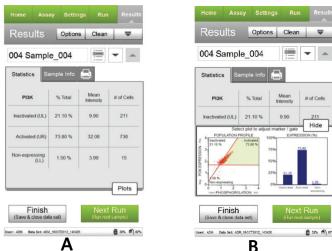
Expected Results

NIH3T3 cells were exposed to 50 ng/mL PDGF for 5 minutes at 37°C to activate the Akt signaling cascade response, fixed, permeabilized, and then stained with the Muse® PI3K Activation Dual Detection Kit and analyzed on the Guava® Muse Cell Analyzer. Figure A shows the results summary, while Figure B shows results displayed by both dot plot and bar graph data.

The statistics captured in this assay show the relative percentages for each population as it is calculated within the total cell population. Cells which express Akt can be seen by the data on the top two quadrants of the dot plot (inactivated and activated), representing about 94.9% of the total cell population. But of this cell population, 73.8% is activated upon treatment, confirming the activation of the Akt signaling pathway in stimulated NIH3T3 cells. By presentation of both datasets, one can now determine the total: phospho ratio within their testing samples.

For more information, please refer to the comprehensive PI3K Activation Dual Detection User's Guide for this product, which can be found at: www.luminexcorp.com/flowkits.

Figures A and B



Figures A and B show an example of results obtained using the Muse PI3K Activation Dual Detection Kit

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- Muse® H2A.X Activation Dual Detection Kit MCH200101
- Muse® MAPK Activation Dual Detection Kit MCH200104
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The latest version of Muse software, which includes all assay modules, as well as the kit user's guide, can be found at: www.luminexcorp.com/flowkits.